

Appl. No. 10/784,534
Response dated December 4, 2006
Reply to Office Action of Mar. 29, 2005

REMARKS

The Disclosure, Abstract and Claims 20 and 26 have been amended to correct typographical errors. No new matter has been added to the application.

Claims 1-52 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting. Attached are two terminal disclaimers to overcome this rejection. Please charge the \$130 fee for the two terminal disclaimers to Deposit Account No. 50-0694.

Claim 20 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Claim 20 has been amended to depend upon claim 19 instead of claim 18 and is now believed to be allowable.

Applicants respectfully submit that the application is in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is hereby respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner feel that a telephone conference would advance the prosecution of this application, she is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Applicants respectfully petition the Commissioner for any extension of time necessary to render this paper timely.

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Respectfully submitted,

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